to human health or life or to property, he shall cause such records to be destroyed immediately at such place and by such method as he shall select: Provided, however, That if said records have been transferred to his custody, he shall report the disposition thereof to the Congress and to the agency from which they were transferred.

SEC. 9. Whenever it shall appear to the Archivist that there are in his custody any records that are without permanent value or historical interest to the Federal Government he shall submit lists thereof to Congress in the manner provided by section 3 of this Act: Provided, however, That the Archivist shall not report to Congress, under the provisions of this section, records of any existing agency of the United States without the written consent of the said agency.

Sec. 10. The procedures herein prescribed to be followed are exclusive, and no records of the United States Government may be alienated or destroyed except by authority sought and obtained under the

provisions of this Act.

Sec. 11. All Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

Approved, August 5, 1939.

Proviso. Report to Congress.

Report by Archivist of records in his custody without permanent value, etc.

Proviso. Records of existing agencies.

Procedures pre-scribed deemed exclusive.

Repeal of inconsistent Acts.

[CHAPTER 482]

AN ACT

To permit the importation free of duty of certain literature for distribution at the Golden Gate International Exposition of 1939.

August 5, 1939 [H. R. 7263] [Public, No. 296]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 4 of the Act entitled "An Act relating to the importation of distilled spirits for consumption at the New York World's Fair, 1939, and the Golden Gate International Exposition of 1939, and to duties on certain articles to be exhibited at the New York World's Fair, 1939", approved April 29, 1939, is amended by inserting before the period at the end thereof a comma and the following: "or at the Golden Gate International Exposition of 1939".

Golden Gate International Exposition of

Ante, p. 626. Tourist li literature for free distribution, free entry.

Approved, August 5, 1939.

[CHAPTER 483]

JOINT RESOLUTION

To approve the action of the Secretary of the Interior deferring the collection of certain irrigation construction charges against lands under the San Carlos and Flathead Indian irrigation projects.

August 5, 1939 [H. J. Res. 264] [Pub. Res., No. 40]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in accordance with the Act of June 22, 1936, the action of the Secretary of the Interior in deferring such charges under said irrigation projects is hereby approved.

San Carlos and Flathead Indian irrigation projects, deferment of construction charges. 49 Stat. 1803. 25 U. S. C., Supp. IV, §§ 389-389e.

Approved, August 5, 1939.

[CHAPTER 493]

AN ACT

To legalize a free highway bridge now being constructed across the Des Moines River, at Levy, Iowa.

August 5, 1939 [S. 2563] [Public, No. 297]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the Iowa State Highway Commission to complete construction of a free highway bridge and approaches

Des Moines River. Bridge across, at Levy, Iowa, legalized. 34 Stat. 84. 33 U.S.C. §§ 491–498. thereto being constructed across the Des Moines River at Levy, Iowa, and to maintain and operate said bridge as a lawful structure subject to the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters", approved March 23, 1906.

Amendment.

Sec. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, August 5, 1939.

[CHAPTER 494]

JOINT RESOLUTION

August 5, 1939 [S. J. Res. 185] [Pub. Res., No. 41]

To authorize the Assistant Secretary of the Navy to continue to serve as Acting Secretary of the Navy until the appointment of a Secretary, and for other purposes.

Acting Secretary of the Navy. Assistant Secretary may continue to serve as, until appointment of Secretary. R. S. § 180, 1761. 5 U. S. C. §§ 7, 56. Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwith-standing the provisions of section 180, Revised Statutes, the Assistant Secretary of the Navy may continue to serve as Acting Secretary of the Navy until such time as a Secretary of the Navy shall be appointed to succeed the late Secretary of the Navy, the Honorable Claude A. Swanson, deceased; and the provisions of section 1761, Revised Statutes, shall not be applicable to an appointment to fill the existing vacancy in said office.

Approved, August 5, 1939.

[CHAPTER 495]

JOINT RESOLUTION

August 5, 1939 [H. J. Res. 208] [Pub. Res., No. 42]

Authorizing the Joint Committee on the Library to procure an oil portrait of former President Herbert Hoover.

Portrait of former President Herbert Hoover. Procurement a uthorized. Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Joint Committee on the Library is hereby authorized to procure an oil portrait of former President Herbert Hoover, for the White House, to be painted by American artists, at a cost not to exceed \$2,500. The committee shall have the advice of the Commission of Fine Arts in accordance

Approved, August 5, 1939.

with the Act of Congress approved May 17, 1910.

36 Stat. 371.

[CHAPTER 500]

AN ACT

August 6, 1939 [H. R. 2883] [Public, No. 298]

To amend the Federal Firearms Act (Public, Numbered 785, seventy-fifth Congress) so as to more adequately define the term "ammunition" as said term is defined in said Act.

Federal Firearms Act, amendment. 52 Stat. 1250. 15 U. S. C., Supp. IV, § 901 (8). "Ammunition", definition modified. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1, subsection 8, of the Federal Firearms Act (Public, Numbered 785, Seventy-fifth Congress) be amended so as to read as follows, to wit:

"(8) The term 'ammunition' shall include only pistol or revolver ammunition. It shall not include shotgun shells, metallic ammunition suitable for use only in rifles, or any .22 caliber rimfire ammunition."

Approved, August 6, 1939.